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In Re Patent of:

Ronald Redline et al.

Patent No.: 6,444,109

Issue Date: September 3, 2002

Docket No. 2156-056A

Title: Method for Enhancing the Solderability of a Surface

Commissioner for Patents
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Attention: Certificate of Corrections Branch

**REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION
FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.323 and 1.324**

It is hereby requested that a Certificate of Correction pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 255 be issued to correct errors in the above-identified patent as follows:

Please state the names of the inventors as follows:

(76) Inventors: Ronald Redline, 28 Platt Dr., Prospect, CT (US) 06712; David Sawoska, 106 East Crystal Canyon Circle, Woodlands, TX (US) 77389; Peter Kukanskis, 245 Quassapaug Rd., Woodbury, CT (US) 06798; Donald Ferrier, 455 Prospect St., Thomaston, CT (US) 06787; Eric Yakobson, 97 Colony Way, Aliso Viego, CA (US) 92656

Please list the Related U.S. Application Data as follows:

(62) Division of application No. 09/251,641, filed on Feb. 17, 1999, now Pat. No. 6,200,451, which is a continuation-in-part of application No. 08/982,980, filed on Dec. 2, 1997, now Pat. No. 5,935,640, which is a division of application No. 08/621,098, filed on Mar. 22, 1996, now Pat. No. 5,733,599

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Column 1

Line 6, delete "This is a division of application Ser. No. 09/251,641, filed Feb. 17, 1999, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,200,451." and replace it with --This is division of application Ser. No. 09/251,641, filed Feb. 19, 1999, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,200,451, which is a continuation-in-part of application Ser. No. 08/982,980, filed on Dec. 2, 1997, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,935,640, which is a division of application Ser. No. 08/621,098, filed on Mar. 22, 1996, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,733,599.--

Because application No. 09/698,370 (now Patent No. 6,444,109) was filed prior to November 29, 2000 a certificate of correction can be used to correct the claim to priority of application serial Nos. 08/621,098 and 08/982,980 in the above-identified patent without the need for a petition. See MPEP §201.11.

As described herein, the Certificate of Correction adds the benefit claims of the prior-filed applications to the front page of the Patent and includes an amendment to the specification to add the benefit claim of the prior-filed non-provisional application to column 1, first paragraph of the specification.

Furthermore, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.324, a Certificate of Correction can be used to correct inventorship of a patent, when accompanied by:

- (1) a statement of each person who is being added as an inventor that the inventorship error occurred without any deceptive intention on his or her part;
- (2) a statement from the current named inventors stating that they have no disagreement in regard to the requested change;
- (3) a statement from all assignees agreeing to the change of inventorship in the patent and a statement in compliance with the requirements of §3.73(b); and
- (4) the fee set forth in §1.20(b).

As to Item (1), statements of Eric Yakobson and Donald Ferrier are attached hereto.

As to Item (2), statements of David Sawoska and Peter Kukanskis are attached hereto. However, inventor Ronald Redline is deceased. Based thereon, a Petition Under

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Rule 1.182 or in the Alternative, Under Rule 1.183, to Allow Assignee to Proceed on Behalf of Deceased Inventor to Correct Inventorship Under 37 CFR §1.324 in a Patent is attached hereto. Additionally, the Proof of Ownership of Assignee Under 37 CFR §3.73(b) required by Item (3) includes a Statement in Support of Request for Inventorship Under 37 CFR §1.324 to allow the Assignee to provide the statement on Ronald Redline's behalf.

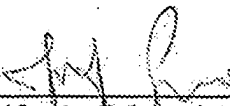
The corrections described herein would not involve such changes in the patent that would constitute new matter or require reexamination.

Attached hereto is a Certificate of Correction (Form PTO/SB/44), which has been prepared to state the nature of the errors and the requested corrections. It is respectfully requested that the sealed Certificate of Correction be forwarded to the undersigned at the address listed below.

Please charge the undersigned attorney's deposit account, No. 50-0447 in the amount of \$100 for the preparation of the Certificate of Correction pursuant to 37 CFR 1.323 and \$130 for the correction of inventorship in the patent pursuant to 37 CFR 1.324.

In the event that any issues remain which prevent the issuance of the Certificate of Correction, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned attorney be contacted so such issues can be resolved.

Respectfully submitted,

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INVENTOR(S) Ronald Redline, David Sawoska, Peter Kukanskis

It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

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